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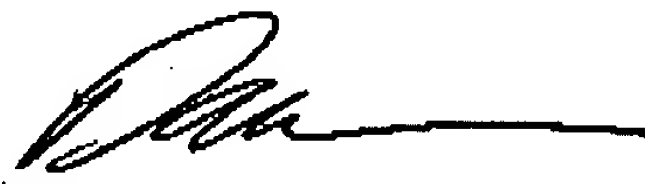
Dear Sir:

On April 12, 2007, a telephonic interview was held between the undersigned and Examiner Siegfried Chencinski. A discussion was made regarding whether 37 C.F.R. § 41.37(c)(1)(v) requires the reference to the specification and drawings for dependent claims that do not recite means plus function and step plus function elements pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. Agreement was reached between the undersigned and the Examiner that the present Appeal Brief is proper. Therefore, agreement was reached that an amended Appeal Brief is not required.

Respectfully submitted,

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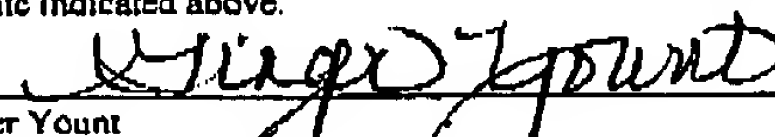


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